Railroad Retirement Program

CBO baseline, March 2005

| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Number of beneficiaries (in thousands, March 31) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Railroad Retirement System | 595 | 581 | 568 | 557 | 547 | 539 | 532 | 526 | 521 | 517 | 513 |
| Total benefit outlays (in millions of dollars, by fiscal year) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Social Security Equivalent Benefit (Tier I) | 5,388 | 5,542 | 5,614 | 5,713 | 5,824 | 5,971 | 6,117 | 6,280 | 6,459 | 6,641 | 6,820 |
| Railroad Retirement Account/National Railroad Retirement Investment Trust (Tier II) | 3,757 | 3,915 | 4,086 | 4,252 | 4,428 | 4,584 | 4,756 | 4,947 | 5,127 | 5,299 | 5,470 |
| Dual Benefits ('Windfall benefits') | 108 | 97 | 87 | 77 | 69 | 60 | 53 | 46 | 40 | 35 | 30 |
| Total Railroad Retirement benefits | 9,253 | 9,554 | 9,787 | 10,041 | 10,321 | 10,615 | 10,926 | 11,272 | 11,626 | 11,975 | 12,321 |

NOTES:

- 1. Total benefit outlays include benefit payments and interest on refunds of taxes.
- 2. Tier I benefits receive a full COLA, which is based on the CPI. Tier II benefits increase by 32.5% of the Tier I COLA amount.
- 3. Under Public Law 107-90, supplemental benefits are to be paid from the Tier II account after December 31, 2001.
- 4. Duel benefits are partially funded via income taxes. The portion not funded by income taxes are classified as discretionary spending.